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DISCUSSION BERLIN SITUATION IN NAC TODAY REVEALED GREAT INTEREST, AND I DETECTED SOME FEELING THAT MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO FEEL BIT CLOSER TO SITUATION WHICH AFFECTS ALL OF THEM. AGAINST IMPOSSIBILITY\* THAT WE MAY HAVE TO MOVE RAPIDLY TO COUNTER SOME SITUATION OR OTHER, I WONDER WHETHER IT MIGHT NOT RPT NOT BE WISE TO GIVE NAC INDICATION OF GENERAL PRINCIPLES UNDERLYING OUR THINKING AS INDICATED WASHINGTON'S 1916 TO PARIS. BELIEVE WE COULD DO THIS WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILS. AGREE WITH BRUCE IT WOULD BE UNNECESSARY AND UNWISE TO BRING NAC ON ON DETAILS OF CONTINGENCY PLANNING, BUT FEEL DISCUSSION IN COUNCIL OF PRINCIPLES WHICH MIGHT GOVERN CERTAIN SPECIFIC DECISIONS MIGHT PROVE VERY USEFUL IN TERMS OF SUPPORT AT LATER DATE.

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